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LAWS OF UNITED STATES OVER TERRITORY SOUTH OF
STATE OF KANSAS.

JULY 2, 1884.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

Mr. McCoid, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 489.]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 489) to extend the laws of the United States over certain unorganized territory south of the State of Kansas, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report:

That the unorganized territory south of the States of Kansas and Colorado, and between the Indian Territory and New Mexico, is not at present attached to any judicial district. It therefore affords a harbor for fugitives from justice and a headquarters for lawless persons, and no court has jurisdiction over the same. It should be attached to some adjacent district, and that of Kansas is as convenient as any. Also there are as yet no means provided by which settlers may secure titles under land laws or be protected in their persons or property. This legislation is therefore needed, and the bill provides it. We therefore recommend its passage.

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